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APPLN. OF: SCHWARTZ et al.

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FOR: Massaging Bed Rest with Light

GROUP: 3737

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

STATUS REQUEST

Dear Sirs:

A Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement, Preliminary Amendment and Prior Art Disclosure Statement were filed in the above matter on August 16, 2001 (copies enclosed). Please advise as to the status of this application at your earliest convenience.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Reg. No. 24,315

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT
 (37 C.F.R. § 1.102 and M.P.E.P. § 708.02)

NOTE: See M.P.E.P. § 708.02, 7th ed.

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because of actual infringement.

1. Accompanying material

Accompanying this petition is:

- (a) A Statement of Facts in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement;
- and
- (b) a Statement by Attorney in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement

2. Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)-\$130.00)

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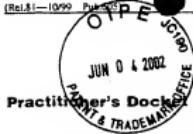
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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT (M.P.E.P. § 708.02)

NOTE: "Subject to a requirement for a further showing as maybe necessitated by the facts of a particular case, an application may be made special because of actual infringement (but not for prospective infringement) upon payment of the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f) and the filing of a petition accompanied by a statement by the applicant, assignee, or attorney/agent registered to practice before the PTO alleging: (A) That there is an infringing device or product actually on the market or method in use; (B) That a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing device, product, or method with the claims of the application has been made, and that, in his or her opinion, some of the claims are unquestionably infringed; and (C) That he or she has made or caused to be made a careful and thorough search of the prior art or has a good knowledge of the pertinent prior art. Applicant must provide one copy of each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims if said references are not already of record. Models or specimens of the infringing product or that of the application should not be submitted unless requested." M.P.E.P. § 708.02, 7th ed.

I,

Name Norman P. Soloway
P.O. Address 175 Canal Street, Manchester, NH 03101

Reg. No. 24,315

Tel. No. (603)668-1400

I am the applicant, assignee, practitioner in this case and make the following statements:

1. I have made a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing
 - device
 - product
 - method

referred to in my accompanying statement of even date
with the claims of this application.

(add any pertinent comments that may apply)

2. That, in my opinion, claims 1,2,4,5,7,10,11,12, 14,15,16,25,27,28,30,
are unquestionably infringed. 31,32,34,36,37,45,46 and 47
(add any pertinent comments that may apply)

(check all applicable items below)

3. I

- have made a search of
- have caused to be made a search of
- have a good knowledge of

the pertinent prior art. All such material art is provided to the Examiner as

- having been filed
- being supplemented
- being filed herewith

in a respective Information Disclosure Statement.

NOTE: Applicant must provide one copy of each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims if said references are not already of record. M.P.E.P. § 708.02, 7th ed.

4. That I believe all the claims in this application

- as on file and
- as on file resulting from the attached amendment

are allowable.

Date: 8-16-01


Signature NORMAN P. SOLOWAY

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(Statement by Practitioner in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement
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**STATEMENT OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT (M.P.E.P. § 708.02)**

NOTE: Prospective infringement is not a ground for making special. M.P.E.P. § 708.02, 7th ed.

1.

Name of person making statement Norman P. Soloway
Address 175 Canal Street, Manchester, NH 03101

am the inventor;
 have the following interest or relationship to the above identified invention
 Attorney for Assignee

and I hereby state the following:

NOTE: Models or specimens of the infringing product or that of the application should not be submitted unless requested. M.P.E.P. § 708.02, 7th ed.

1. There is an actual infringement of this invention.

(state facts about the infringing device or product actually on the market or method in use)

See attached Statement of Facts, and Exhibits thereto.

2. The

- device
- product
- method

that I allege infringes this invention was first discovered to exist on January-April, 2001


Signature NORMAN P. SOLOWAY

(Statement of Facts in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement
(M.P.E.P. § 708.02) [9-12]—page 2 of 2)